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Enclosed herewith is a Patent Application of **Ellis C. Seal** entitled  
**Acoustically Tailored, Composite Material Stringed Instrument.**

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A 41 page patent specification including 20 claims (of which 6 are independent), which specification is followed by  
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